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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)):

Japanese application 3-7913 corresponds to U.S. 5,133,895.

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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended. Please note that the references filed herewith are cross-cited from co-pending patent application Serial No. 09/230,490, filed on January 26, 1999, and co-pending patent application Serial No. 09/029,870, filed on March 4, 1998. A courtesy copy of each specification is provided herewith.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

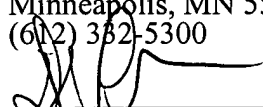
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,943,112	Aug. 1999	Mochizuki et al.			
	5,133,895	July 1992	Ogawa et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	63-91630	April 1988	Japan			Abstract	
	7-287232	Oct. 1995	Japan			Abstract	
	8-313910	Nov. 1996	Japan			Abstract	
	9-80440	March 1997	Japan			Abstract	
	9-133923	May 1997	Japan			Abstract	
	6-230394	Aug. 1994	Japan			Abstract	
	3-7913	Jan. 1991	Japan			See IDS	
	4-13115	Jan. 1992	Japan			Abstract	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	Office Action JP 9-197633 mailed on November 21, 2001
	Office Action JP 9-148274 mailed on December 13, 2001
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